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### LARGE DELEGATION FROM MOHAVE CO. AT ROAD MEETING

Convention Was a Most Important One; 200 Delegates Attend Throughout the State.

One of the most important gatherings of good roads enthusiasts ever held in the state convened at Phoenix last Monday. There were more than 200 delegates besides many visitors at the conference. From Mohave County twenty men and women made the trip to the capital city by automobile. Those who appeared as delegates were: A. E. Ware, J. H. Ware, C. G. Krook, M. G. Wagner, W. K. Ridenour, R. H. Carr, C. J. Walters, J. H. Hopkins, R. H. Haywood, H. H. Watkins, A. M. MacDuffee, C. W. Herndon, Mrs. J. T. Watkins, S. T. Elliott, Jno. Mulligan, J. H. Knight and Martin Hamilton.

At the meeting the address of welcome was made by Judge R. E. Sloan. Dwight B. Heard, president of the State Highways Association, presided over the gathering. Other speakers addressed the meeting during the day. Governor Campbell mentioned the fact that there was not one first-class road in the state and that the necessity for a system of good roads was apparent.

The convention organized and appointed the following committees:

Committee on Credentials

Apache county, E. R. Whiting; Coconino county, Ed. Hamilton; Cochise county, J. C. Adams; Gila county, J. T. Devenis; Greenlee county, Pickens Anderson; Maricopa county, E. E. Hackett; Mohave county, John Flanagan; Pima county, J. Breck Richardson; Pinal county, H. R. Bland; Santa Cruz county, G. H. Fredler; Yavapai county, R. C. Lane; Yuma county, Wm. C. Lacy.

Committee on Resolutions

Apache county, W. H. Gibbons; Coconino county, H. E. Campbell; Cochise county, Geo. H. Kelly; Gila county, G. W. Shute; Graham county, Andrew Kimball; Greenlee county, Lamar Cobb; Maricopa county, Dr. A. J. Chandler; Mohave county, Allan E. Ware; Navajo county, L. E. Carrou; Pima county, Allan B. Jaynes; Pinal county, Bracey Curtis; (Continued on Page Eight.)

### TO START OPERATIONS OATMAN AMALGAMATED

This week George Babbitt, Charles Prochnow and Fred Hensing of Flagstaff, were out to the mines of the Oatman Amalgamated in company of a mining engineer, having in view the starting of operations on that property. It is expected that work will be resumed within the month on an extensive scale. The company has been newly financed and will be able to meet every possible obstacle.

The mines of the Oatman Amalgamated are situated just west of Goldroad and north of Oatman, where it is believed the big veins and dikes cross. Good ore has been found in this ground and the mines indicate something big may be opened.

### JACK PORTER RETURNS HOME WITH A BRIDE

Jack Porter returned Monday night from El Paso, Texas, and with him brought a bride.

We were informed when Mr. Porter left that he was going to look over the oil fields but it seems "the truth was not in him," that is, not all the truth.

Mrs. Porter was formerly Mrs. May Bowdoin, of San Antonio, where she followed the profession of a trained nurse for several years. The bride is a sister of Mrs. Friedley.

She met Mr. Porter in El Paso and shortly after they were married they started for Kingman.

The home-comers were met at the depot Monday night by friends with the usual assortment of tin cans and confetti, after which the assemblage went to the Rose Tree and indulged in refreshments at Mr. Porter's expense.

### BORN YESTERDAY

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Prosser are the proud parents of an eight and a half pound baby boy, who arrived yesterday afternoon.

The mother and boy are getting along nicely.

### Nat Goodwin Dead

Nat C. Goodwin, author, actor and national celebrity, passed away yesterday in New York City. Death was due to a general breakdown in health.

Goodwin was just about to embark on his sixth voyage of matrimony with Georgia Gardner of Los Angeles, who is playing in the company in which Goodwin was starring at the time of his death.

### WATERS INTRODUCES BILL THAT WOULD RESTRICT BLASTING

Representative Waters of this county has introduced in the legislature a proposed bill, known as house bill 19, making it a misdemeanor for any foreman or manager of a mine, to sink a shaft or do any blasting unless an electric fuse is used to explode the charges. While in some instances such a law would be good there is no provision for the miner who is working upon his own property to do his blasting in his own way. He must purchase an electric device for his own use or come within the purview of the criminal law of the state.

It is not possible that this bill will become a law, but as a precautionary measure a petition has been prepared in Kingman and other Mohave County towns, asking that the law be amended to not apply to small mine operators.

### YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED IN KINGMAN LAST NIGHT

Miss Lee Hinch and Donald Hawkins were quietly married last night at the parsonage of the Methodist Church, Rev. Dodd performing the ceremony. Leo Mulligan was best man and Jessie Martinez acted as bride's maid.

The wedding took place at 8:20 and the couple left for a short wedding trip on the Coast on No. 9.

Both young people are well known in Kingman, the bride being the daughter of Mrs. George I. Sargent. She has been with the telephone company here for some time.

Donald Hawkins is a son of Mrs. J. R. Hawkins and is employed as baggage man at the Santa Fe depot. The young couple will make their home at the Wright Apartments when they return.

### E. L. DOHENEY NAMED FOR PEACE CONGRESS

Decision to send a committee to Paris to place before the Peace Conference information showing steps needed to protect American interests in Mexico was reached at a meeting in New York yesterday of the executive committee of the National Association for the Protection of American Rights in Mexico.

It was announced that Edward L. Doheny of Los Angeles, head of the Mexican Petroleum Corporation, will be a member of the committee. The others have not yet been named, but they will represent agricultural, cattle, mining, smelting, manufacturing and banking interests.

### A BOY

Announcement was received in Kingman this week of the arrival of a boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Davidson of Los Angeles. Mrs. Davidson is a daughter of Mrs. Thomas McGraw of Kingman. The little fellow weighs seven and a-half pounds.

### VISITS OIL FIELD

Jack Porter stopped at Holbrook on his way home from El Paso. He says there are four wells drilling there now and that four more will start in the near future.

The Adamana is down between 300 and 400 feet and working three shifts a day. They are averaging about 12 feet a day.

### NOTICE TO RED CROSS KNITTERS

The last shipment of knitted articles will be sent on February 6th. Ladies having sweaters or socks please leave them at the Citizens Bank not later than 11 A. M., Feb. 6th (Thursday.)

### PLAN TO DISBAND 300,000 MONTHLY

General March, chief of staff, informed the senate military committee last Monday that shipping arrangements had been made by which 300,000 men might be transported home monthly and that all of the American Expeditionary Force would be returned home and demobilized within six months.

How many Americans will be held abroad in the Army of Occupation is to be determined by President Wilson. General March stated, but more Americans already have been designated for return home than originally proposed by Marshal Foch. He indicated that ten divisions had been suggested as America's contribution to the Army of Occupation.

785,000 Men in U. S. Camps

There are still about 785,000 men in camp in the United States and all will be demobilized within a month except those retained for "overhead" duty, General March added. Up to noon last Saturday, he said 104,000 men had arrived from overseas.

Discussing demobilization plans, generally, with the committee, General March said retention of an American standing Army of 500,000 was proposed.

"We don't ever expect to reduce below 500,000 men—if we can help it," he said.

Tonnage sufficient to transport 300,000 men monthly will be available, he explained, through ships allotted by the allies, combined with German passenger tonnage, and the negotiations practically are completed.

1,800,000 Yanks Still Overseas

With about 1,800,000 Americans still overseas, the chief-of-staff said a shipping capacity of 300,000 monthly should make it possible to return and demobilize all within six months.

"If the president agrees to leave ten divisions, or whatever number of the Army of Occupation," he said, "we can make it in less time. From the beginning, General Pershing was instructed to return men as fast as shipping was available."

Several senators said they had received many complaints because divisions which had seen long service overseas apparently were to be the last sent home.

This policy, General March said, was strictly in accordance with military plans to hold experienced men in the Army of Occupation.

### "SI" PERKINS PASSED THROUGH HERE MONDAY

Lieut. "Si" Perkins passed through Kingman Monday on his way to Phoenix, where it is understood he will take a position with the Standard Oil Company.

Lieut. Perkins has been an instructor in flying at a Florida aviation field, and is an expert aviator. He will probably find time to visit his many friends in Mohave County before very long.

### ARRIVE HERE

Lieutenant L. A. Smith, who for the past six months has been acting as instructor at Fort Hancock and who was recently released from the service, arrived in Kingman Thursday night. He will make his home here.

Lieut. Smith was formerly from Oatman and after enlistment entered the officer's training camp and received his commission, but unfortunately, did not get across.

He was accompanied by his father, W. K. Smith, who it is understood, will be connected with the Arizona Engineering Company here.

### MAD DOG BITES WINSLOW CHILDREN

Six children were bitten by a rabid dog at Winslow last week and have been sent to Los Angeles for treatment by the Pastuer method. This is the first case of the kind known in Arizona, although many dogs have shown rabies in Nevada and other states to the north. In these states dogs are supposed to have been inoculated with the virus by rabid coyotes and an effort is being made to exterminate these animals.

The children were Eufia LaPrade, Ernest Dunn, Meridith Morgan, Nathan and Virginia Bly and a young son of Mr. Caldwell. Caldwell was also bitten by the dog while trying to save his son.

### POSTPONED

Owing to so much illness among the members, the Thursday Afternoon Club postponed the meeting it was to have held today. The date of the next meeting will be announced later.

### IMPORTANT ISSUES BEFORE KINGMAN SCHOOL TRUSTEES

This week one of the teachers of the Kingman schools, and a parent of one of the pupils had an encounter which resulted in the teacher swearing out a warrant for the arrest of the parent.

The parent pleaded not guilty, and the case was set at 10 o'clock Monday morning, before Justice Smith.

For different reasons we have not gone into detail, the principal one being that we have not had a statement from either of the ladies themselves. If testimony in the Justice's Court has any bearing upon the larger issues back of the case, our readers will be told of it later.

The school trustees met yesterday afternoon, to consider the resignations of this teacher and another teacher, but have not as yet accepted them.

The trustees inform us that they are going to the bottom of this matter, as well as any other matters pertinent to the situation at hand. The trustees also suggest that the people feel free to come to them and present any information that might have any bearing upon the case. They are not going to pass judgment, or take action until they have all the information available.

We are glad the trustees are taking this attitude, as the schools are one thing a community cannot afford to be disinterested in. They are fundamental to the civilization of the United States—they make the difference between dark Russia, and a country such as ours.

Now, we suggest to the people of Kingman, that instead of repeating the rumors of this affair, that if you have any facts upon the subject you take them to the trustees. A full statement concerning the matter will be made by the trustees later, and this paper will give you the facts, when they are known to be facts, as this is too important a matter to trust to hearsay.

### An Open Letter to People of Mohave

Mohave County soldiers and sailors are coming back from the war—the same boys, whom we sent away with a smile and a tear, and a tightening of the throat, with a lot of noise, brave speeches, music and even bright lights, and with that which we must remember best of all now—a host of glittering promises—if they'd only get that Kaiser.

Well, they haven't got him—yet. But they made him hunt his hole, and we'll all agree that he'll bother us no more. In all seriousness, our very own boys are beginning to come back from training camps and from overseas. Some of them are finding their old positions, but some are not, and many of them are broke.

Now, there is no doubt that within a very few months our industrial prosperity will exceed anything known heretofore, and that it will absorb all the returned soldiers' labor; also, there is small doubt that the Federal government is going to work out a solution of this same problem. Federal highways will be built, public buildings erected, lands reclaimed and farms started for soldiers—but all this takes time. And our greatest need will be for the immediate present. Primarily, it is necessary for each community to take care of its own returned soldiers and the United States Employment Agent urges every possible employer of labor within the county to consider this as his individual responsibility and find work wherever possible.

But it must be useful work. We do not believe that jobs should be created for the sole purpose of offering employment to these boys. But an appeal is made to consider the situation carefully, and to communicate with this office promptly whenever men are wanted. By the same token, all returned soldiers and sailors who desire employment are urged to register with the agency manager in the office of the Arizona Central Bank.

Just one thing more, we do not consider the returned American soldier a mental or physical defective and have no desire to pauperize him, neither do we wish to offer, nor will we accept, charity. We do hold, however, that he is entitled to the earnest help in getting back to useful occupation in civil life. And in conclusion, we offer without hysteria, the thought that men, who have fought, or what is the same thing in effect, offered to fight, and come back home to work and can find no work—we say that men like that are apt to get wrong ideas and give heed to those glib-tongued, waiting agitators, who are against all government.

J. H. ROSENBERG.

### ADDITIONAL NAMES ARE ADDED TO COMMITTEE ON ARMENIAN RELIEF

The committee on relief for the Armenians and Jews is outlining its plans for the campaign, February 10 to 17.

In addition to the appointments made last week, Chairman Warren announces that H. L. Horner has been made chairman of the solicitation committee; I. M. George has been delegated to solicit from the judges; Thomas H. Dood from the churches and Prof. W. L. Linville to carry on the work in the schools.

### JIMMY ST. CHARLES NOW IN GERMANY

Jimmy St. Charles writes from Dierdorf, Germany, under date of December 31.

"Dear Don:—

Well am back to my company at last, and am sure glad. We have a new captain, he is O. K. so everything goes alright. Met R. S. Adams here yesterday, he is a lieutenant of Co. E. 128th Infantry. He said H. S. was a sergeant. Well, I am a private yet, but I have been through the fight on four different fronts, and over the top about a dozen times, so have a little bit to my credit, including five or six boches, and I didn't hide back of the lines.

You cannot buy a thing here in Germany, because they have not enough for themselves.

It rains here nearly every day, but as we have a stove it is not half as bad as France. There, we slept in barns with cows, here we sleep in a house, although it is on the floor.

Excuse change of paper but it is all I have. Have not had any letters for about three months, so do not know what is happening in Arizona or California.

Pvt. A. J. ST. CHARLES,  
Co. F. 128th Inf.  
Am. Ex. Force,  
France,  
A. P. O. 734.

### MACHINE INSTALLED ON COPPER PROPERTY

J. P. Sweeney has installed a compressor and engine at his mines, east of the windmill, in the Aquarius range, and expects to have work on the deep tunnel under way by the first of the week. The plant has been housed in and quarters for the men erected. The tunnel is designed to tap a big vein that shows evidences of gold and copper in the outcrop at a point below the water level. The vein on the surface is most promising and we believe that depth will bring in a big copper property. The mines are situated about 40 miles east of Kingman.

### E. M. RABB DIED AT TONOPAH JAN. 16

E. M. Rabb, formerly superintendent of the Gold road and the Tom Reed mines, died at Tonopah, Nevada, on the 16th of January of influenza. Mr. Rabb was superintendent of a Victor, Colorado mine, at the time of his death and had gone to Tonopah on a visit when stricken by the fatal disease. During his residence in Mohave County he was superintendent of the Tennessee and Gold Road mines for the United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Company, going from those properties to the Tom Reed.

### SIX-MONTHS-OLD OATMAN BABY DEAD

C. R. Van Marter was called to Oatman Thursday to conduct the funeral of little Edgar Hightower, the six-months-old son of John T. Hightower.

The little lad had been ailing for some time and one morning this week he was found dead in his baby buggy. Death was supposed to have been caused by strangulation. He was buried in the cemetery at Oatman.

### FRED BLODGETT ON WAY TO KEARNEY

Fred Blodgett passed through Kingman Friday on his way to Camp Kearney where he will receive his discharge.

Blodgett was accompanied by the wife he recently married in England. After Mr. Blodgett receives his discharge, he and Mrs. Blodgett will come to Kingman, where they will make their home.

### THREE MOHAVE COUNTY BOYS ARRIVE HOME

B. J. Carlin, Harry J. Lewis and Archie Chamberlain, all Mohave County boys arrived from France this week.

All three belonged to the 125th heavy artillery and left for France early last fall, arriving in Liverpool October 7. After a very short stay in England during which time they spent a couple of days at a rest camp established on the old Oliver Cromwell estate, they left for France.

They did not get a chance at the front but would have, had the war lasted three weeks longer.

They say the mud was a fright, sometimes being knee-deep. They saw lots of German prisoners. One of the boys tells of an instance where one of the dusky members of a colored regiment after having been prodded by the remarks of a German prisoner for some time lost his patience and ran him through with his bayonet.

At the Chateau La Grange, where they were stationed, most of the time while in France, the country around was a grape growing community. There were twelve German prisoners working on this particular place and the owner of the place gave each one of them their food and clothing and six cents a day, also turning over 25 cents a day to the French government for each prisoner worked. The prevalent spirit among these prisoners was that if they lost now they would win later.

Tobacco was the hardest thing to get, the boys say, along with sweets and pastry.

After the muddy country they went through in France, the boys said old Mohave County looked good to them.

### CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT AT LOCAL HARVEY HOUSE

A change in management of the local Harvey House takes place today, J. G. Burford succeeding Frank Mur.

Mr. and Mrs. Mur will leave for Gallup, New Mexico, Monday, where Mr. Mur will take charge of the Harvey House. The Gallup House, the newest and one of the largest Harvey Houses of this division, is equipped with guest rooms, dining room, lunch counter, large lobby and all other improvements of the later Harvey Houses.

It is needless to say that Kingman will miss Mr. and Mrs. Mur from the community as they have many friends here during the past years.

Mr. Burford, the new manager, was recently mustered out of the army at Camp Funston. Previous to his entering the service he was with the Harvey House at Needles.

### DESERT POWER AND WATER COMPANY ELECTS OFFICERS

Hon. W. L. Peters, president of the Riverside National Bank, Riverside, Calif., and a director of the Desert Power and Water Company, was in Kingman Friday last week in attendance at the annual stockholders' and directors' meeting. The officers who have been in control of the company's affairs for some years past were unanimously re-elected. Kenneth W. Davidson, of Oshkosh, Wis., was an addition to the board of directors, which is now composed of Mr. F. A. Wilde, Mr. Robert W. Wilde, Mr. F. A. Wilde, Jr., Mr. W. L. Peters, Mr. W. A. Richardson and K. W. Davidson.

### KEMBLE BACK AFTER 20 MONTHS IN U. S. NAVY

L. S. Kemble arrived in Kingman Thursday after twenty month's service in the navy.

During this time Kemble was located at the submarine base at San Pedro.

He will re-enter the employ of C. A. Patterson.

### THREE ARRESTS

Last night "Dusty" Rhodes and Doody were arrested by the sheriff's office, followed this morning by John Kravania.

All three were charged with being intoxicated, and are arraigned today at 2 o'clock before Judge Smith.

D. W. Griffith's "Greatest Thing in Life," February 21.